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Return of Porkala sensational story in all papers today with pages on maps, photos and special articles. All carry similar editorials which express Sweden's sharing of Finland's joy and satisfaction, but go on to analyze Moscow's objectives. Most mentioned are desire to give new life to Geneva spirit diminished value of Porkala as military base and help for Russian campaign to drive United States out of its foreign bases. DAGENS NYHETER includes Russian desire to win friendship of still hostile Finns. Several papers express nervousness that Monday's negotiations may disclose further Soviet demands going beyond announced request for renewal of 1948 Treaty. News treatment and editorials leave impression that Swedes strongly impressed by Russian action. Phrases such as "this generous Soviet gesture" are common.

FM Uden expressed to DAGENS NYHETER correspondent Sweden's "great satisfaction in view of our close relations with Finland" and also as a sign of continued international relaxation of tensions. PM Erlander briefly said that Swedish people shared Finland's joy at liberation of Porkala. Defense Minister Nilsson remarked that this satisfaction was particularly great since Soviet occupation of Porkala has always been considered in military circles as threat to Sweden.

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